



**TEEN CHALLENGE
HOUSE OF PROMISE**

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Dear Prospective Student,

RE: Cost of the Program

Teen Challenge is an international, non-profit, interdenominational, church related program ministering to people with life controlling problems. Teen Challenge of the Rocky Mountains is a nationally standardized program which is financially an entity of its own and governed by a local board of directors. It is not underwritten by any organization or agency.

While we do not bill you, Teen Challenge is not a free program. It costs approximately \$2,000.00 per month to maintain each woman and her child(ren) in the program. We realize that this is a substantial amount of money, both for you and for us.

You will be required to:

- A. Assist with fundraising projects while you are enrolled in the program.
- B. Pay a \$300.00 nonrefundable application fee before entering the program.
- C. Pay a \$100.00 non refundable room fee.
- D. Bring \$30.00 to be used for emergencies.
- E. The program costs \$2,000.00 per month. Any sponsorship funds that you raise will be used to pay for your room, board, training, and other expenses incurred while you are in Teen Challenge.
- F. If you qualify for Social Security Disability or receive child support, you must agree to contribute the entire amount towards your tuition, up to \$2,000.00 per month.

Please read the attached **Sponsor Letter** thoroughly. Make as many copies of the **Sponsor Letter** as you need to present to friends, family, churches, businesses or other concerned individuals who you think would be willing to sponsor you. As you receive commitments from these people, please have them fill out the information on the Sponsorship Form and return it along with any checks to **Teen Challenge House of Promise, P.O. Box 784 Olathe. CO. 81425.**

We ask that you do your best to secure these funds. You must put forth an effort if you are to receive help and overcome your problems. There is no set amount you are required to raise, but you are required to make a strong effort. Contact the Induction Coordinator if you have any questions.

I, _____, certify that I have read the "Cost of Program" letter and fully agree to help in any way that I am able.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

What is the TEEN CHALLENGE Program?

The TEEN CHALLENGE Program is a Christian based program designed to help young men and woman find meaningful answers to the problems, habits and conflicts that control them.

Who does TEEN CHALLENGE HOUSE OF PROMISE help?

1. Any woman 18 years of age or older who has a life controlling problem:
 - **Drug or alcohol habit:** Consistent use and abuse.
 - **Emotional problems:** Problems that stem from drug, alcohol or other abuse. Others will be considered on an individual basis.
 - **Behavioral problems:** Problems due to lack of taking responsibility, lack of self-discipline, lack of motivation, lack of self-esteem or laziness.
2. Woman who are willing to enter the program voluntarily and are willing to change their present life-style.
3. Woman willing to accept a structured, disciplined Christian environment in order to overcome their problems.

We suggest that the prospective student should have attempted help from professional counseling, getting help from a pastor or local church and/or drug or alcohol clinic or program before considering TEEN CHALLENGE'S residential program.

We are UNABLE TO ACCEPT INDIVIDUALS WHO:

- Are on certain mood altering medications.
- Have exhibited signs of psychotic behavior or dangerous tendencies.
- Have been convicted of a crime that is sexual in nature against a minor.
- Have a warrant for their arrest.
- Have court ordered probation reporting requirements or classes that interfere with the structure or influence of the program.
- Have a known communicable disease.
- Have a medical condition that exceeds our ability to provide adequate attention.

How does the program work?

The TEEN CHALLENGE of the Rocky Mountain's House of Promise program consists of a nine step program. The program is approximately 24 months long. The program length is determined on an individual basis and is determined by completion of the academic requirements for each step, compliance with rules and policies and personal growth to be evaluated by the staff. It is our desire to provide an opportunity for each student to thoroughly deal with all addiction related behavior and thinking.

KEY ELEMENTS INCLUDE:

- Guidance. (Individual and Group)
- Biblically based studies
- Chapel and church services
- Prayer and devotion times
- 12-month re-entry program
- Work therapy
- Recreation
- Parenting and life skills
- Firm discipline

What does the TEEN CHALLENGE program offer?

TEEN CHALLENGE is concerned with the “total person”. The program structure is aware of each person’s spiritual, mental, physical, social and educational needs.

SPIRITUALLY: TEEN CHALLENGE deals with the person’s problems as symptoms that relate to deeper problems and conflict. Zeroing in on a person’s spiritual need is when and where healing in that life begins. Through faith in Christ individuals find the changing power that gives the ability to cope with problems and live a more effective life.

MENTALLY: The rebuilding of the used and abused mind is of key importance. The consistent study of the Bible along with a Bible based life skills curriculum are the tools used to enhance mental growth by serving as a foundation for the restructuring of broken down thought patterns, creating new, more stable ideas and principles.

PHYSICALLY: TEEN CHALLENGE provides an environment that includes shelter, food and basic needs as well as work, rest, and recreation. As students begin to function in a drug free environment, physical health usually begins to improve greatly.

SOCIALLY: Through the benefits of a group living situation, students are taught the biblical perspective of relationships and conflict management and thus helped to more successfully relate to family, peers and authority.

What does a daily schedule at TEEN CHALLENGE HOUSE OF PROMISE include?

- Group classes
- Individual studies class
- Chores
- Devotion time
- Prayer time
- Chapel
- Work time
- Meals
- Free time

A completion graduation service is held to honor the students who complete the program.

TAKE SPECIAL NOTE

WITHDRAWAL FROM DRUGS AND ALCOHOL IS WITHOUT MEDICATION AND WE HIGHLY RECOMMEND THAT YOU GO THROUGH A DETOXIFICATION CENTER BEFORE ENTERING THE PROGRAM.

EVEN IF YOU FEEL YOU WOULD FIT INTO THE PROGRAM, WE RESERVE THE RIGHT TO DENY YOUR APPLICATION. NON-COMPLIANCE WITH ALL STEPS OR DECEPTIVE INFORMATION CONSTITUTES GROUNDS FOR DENIAL OF APPLICATION.

General Rules:

The rules listed are not the complete set of rules that you will be required to abide by but rather are a sampling to give you a basic understanding of the requirements.

Teen Challenge reserves the right to search your belongings at anytime. Periodic police drug dog searches may be conducted. Anyone found with drugs in their possession will be arrested by the police.

Appearance

1. Hair must be kept neat and clean. Unacceptable hairstyles must be changed.
2. Piercing jewelry, except for pierced earrings at the lobe of ear, are not allowed, limited to one earring per ear.
3. Appropriate, modest clothing is required for each activity.
4. Personal hygiene must be maintained in a neat and clean manor.

Behavior

1. No student will be admitted to the program if she arrives intoxicated or high.
2. No drugs, alcohol or tobacco in any form is allowed.
3. Secular music, gambling, and card playing are not allowed. The center director must approve all music and reading material.
4. Profanity and bragging about past life of sin is not allowed.
5. Anyone threatening anyone in any way will be dismissed.
6. Occult practices of any form are not allowed.
7. Disrespect and arguing with staff members will not be tolerated.
8. Proper care of Teen Challenge property is required. Students are financially responsible for any malicious damage.

Mail

1. Students are allowed to write and receive mail on different phases.
2. Incoming and outgoing mail will be screened.

Phone calls

1. Students are allowed to make phone calls after the second week in the program. Incoming and outgoing calls may be made to immediate family and a pastor. The director must approve anyone else.
2. Students will be assigned a weekly designated phone call night. Phone calls will not be made during business hours.
3. All students must bring a phone card into the program that will be used for all long distance calls.
4. Calls may be monitored by staff.

Visitation

1. Visits are allowed after five weeks in the program; visits are limited to two per month.
2. Visitors are limited to immediate family and pastors. Boyfriends and common-law marriages are not considered family.
3. All visits must be approved by the staff at least three days prior to the visit. Teen Challenge reserves the right to deny a visit.
4. Bedrooms are off limits to visitors.

Personal Belongings

1. All students money will be kept in the office in an account. Students may have a maximum of \$30.00 on account.
2. Students are not allowed to bring pets or personal vehicles of any kind.
3. Students will not bring valuables to Teen Challenge.
4. Each student is allowed a minimum of suitcases. Suitcases and clothing are subject to search when entering or leaving the program.
5. All students who are dismissed or who voluntarily leave the program must take all her personal belongings with her at the time she leaves. Teen Challenge will not be responsible for any belonging left at the center.

Other

1. Students who leave the program prematurely will have a 30 day waiting period before they will be considered for re-enrollment.
2. Teen Challenge will not tolerate physical threats, intimidation or violence.
3. Teen Challenge will not tolerate any sexually deviant behavior.

I, _____, certify that I have read and understand these Teen Challenge rules. I realize that these are only a sampling of the rules and that they are subject to change at any time. I agree to abide by all the Teen Challenge rules.

Student's signature

Date

Witness signature

Date

Statement of Faith

We believe in:

1. The Bible is the inspired word of God (**II Timothy 3:16-17, I Thess. 2:13, II Peter 1:21**)
2. In one true God (revealed as Trinity of Persons in relationship & association, Father, Son and Holy Ghost) (**Deut. 6:4, Isaiah 43:10, Matt. 28:19, Luke 3:22**)
3. In the Deity of the Lord Jesus Christ (**Matt. 1:23, Luke 1:35, Acts 2:32, Romans 1:4, Phil. 2:9-11, Hebrews 1:3**)
4. In the fall of man (**Genesis 1:26, 2:17, Romans 5:12-19**)
5. The salvation of man (**Luke 24:47, John 3:3, Romans 10:13-15, Eph. 2:8, 4:24, Titus 2:11-12, 3:5-7, Romans 8:16**)
6. Ordinances of the church.
 - A. Baptism in water. (**Matt. 28:19, Mark 16:16, Acts 10:47-48, Romans 6:4**)
 - B. Holy Communion. (**Matt. 26:14-30, Mark 14:17-26, Luke 22:14-30, I Cor. 11:23-24**)
7. The Baptism of the Holy Spirit. (**Matt. 3:11, Mark 1:7-8, Luke 3:16, John 1:26, Acts 1:4-8**)
8. The evidence of the Baptism of the Holy Spirit. (**Acts 2:4, 10:44-46, 11:15-17, 15:7-9, 19:6**)
9. Sanctification. (**Romans 12:1-2, I Thess. 5:23, Hebrews 12:14, I Peter 1:15-16.**)
10. The church and its mission.
 - A. Agency for evangelizing the world (**Matt. 28:19-20, Mark 16:15, Acts 1:8, Eph. 3:10.**)
 - B. Corporate body for worshipping God. (**John 4:23-24, I Cor. 12:13.**)
 - C. Channel for edifying the saints (**I Cor. 12:28, 14:12, Eph. 4:11-16.**)
11. The ministry (**Mark 15:15-20, Eph. 4:11-16, I Tim. 3:1-7, Titus 1:5-9.**)
12. Divine Healing. (**Isaiah 53:4-5, Matt. 8:16-17, James 5:14-16.**)
13. The Blessed Hope. (**Romans 8:23, I Cor. 15:51-52, I Thess. 4:16-17, Titus 2:13.**)
14. The Millennial Reign of Christ. (**Zech. 14:5, Matt. 24:27,30, Rev. 19:11-14, 20:1-6.**)
14. The Final Judgment. (**Matt. 25:46, Mark 9:43-48, Rev 19:20, 20:11-15, 21:8.**)
15. The new Heaven and new Earth. (**II Peter 3:13, Rev 21:22.**)

Items to Bring

FOR STUDENT AND CHILD(REN)

- Bras and panties
- Socks and/or hose
- Work clothes
- Dress clothes for church
- Casual cloths
- Shoes
 - Dress
 - Casual
 - Athletic shoes
 - Slippers
- Long shorts. (3 inches above knee or longer)
- Jacket and coat
- Robe and pajamas
- Notebook, paper, pens and pencils
- Bible (no other books)
- Pictures of immediate family
- CD player/walkman, no radio
- Phone card
- Toiletries
- Razor
- Shampoo/hairspray
- Toothpaste
- Toothbrush
- Deodorant
- Soap
- Hairbrush/comb

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

- No other items are allowed.
- When packing please take into consideration:
 - Closet space is very limited.
 - Laundry is done on a weekly basis
- Please mark all items with your name.
- All straps must be at least 2 inches wide,
- Slits in skirts may not be more than 2" above the bottom of the knee.
- A student may only bring 2 (two) suitcases OR boxes OR bags of any kind with her when she enters the program.
- She is also allowed 2 (two) for each member of her family that is coming with her. This is to include cloths, toiletries, children's toys etc.

YOUR CHECKLIST

STEPS REQUIRED FOR INDUCTION

Complete all the following steps:

1. Read all the enclosed information thoroughly.
2. Complete and sign Teen Challenge application and all enclosed forms.
3. Medical test: TB skin test, physical, HIV, RPR, Hepatitis panel, venereal disease, pregnancy test and physical. Results must be in writing. Result acceptable within 90 days.
4. Mail the application, medical test results, the non-refundable application fee of \$300.00, and a \$100.00 room deposit to Teen Challenge House of Promise.
5. Deliver copies of the sponsorship letter to individuals who might be willing to support the program while you are here. Provide a complete list of individuals that you gave the letter using the "sponsorship sheet". The program costs \$2,000.00 per month.
6. These items are a MUST!!! Do not arrive without them!
7. Social Security card
8. \$30.00 emergency fund
9. Picture ID
10. "Sponsorship" Form
11. Return bus fare. A check or money order to equal the amount of return bus or plane fare to your home town. This will be used if you decide to leave the program or are dismissed. (This applies to students entering the program from outside the Olathe area)
12. Any and all legal papers that you are currently working with.
13. Current immunization records, custody papers and birth certificate for yourself and each child entering the program with the student.
14. See list of "Personal items to bring".
15. The following matters must be resolved to be considered for entry.
16. Medical. We help secure Medicaid and doctor's visits as necessary
17. Legal. All legal situations past and present must be made known to the staff prior to acceptance. You will not be considered for entry if you have outstanding warrants. Pending hearings, trial, probation, or other obligations requiring your personal appearance that are deemed conflicting with the program may result in disqualification for entry.



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RELEASE OF RESPONSIBILITY

Read each statement and initial. Your initial and signature at the bottom of this page indicate you have read and agree to accept these policies. Also have a witness's signature.

_____ I understand that Teen Challenge can not and will not be responsible for any of my personal property that is left, lost or stolen while in the Teen Challenge program. When leaving Teen Challenge I will take all my personal property with me.

_____ I also understand that I release to Teen Challenge the right to make searches of personal belongings and conduct a personal frisk if need be.

_____ Teen Challenge reserves the right to search your belongings at any time. Police drug dog searches may be conducted. Anyone found with drugs in their possession will be arrested by the police.

_____ I also understand that I may be required to conduct a drug and/or nicotine urine test at any time during the program.

_____ I release Teen Challenge from all responsibility both physical and financial, in case of accident, injury, or illness, or other imponderable misfortune.

_____ I give Teen Challenge permission to open and check both incoming and outgoing mail for drugs and anything else that they believe might be harmful to the welfare of the program, myself and the other residents. I understand that all phone calls made or received by me will be screened and monitored.

_____ I understand that a physical, a TB skin, HIV, pregnancy, and RPR tests and hepatitis panel will be required prior to entering the program.

_____ Teen Challenge does not discriminate against those who are HIV+ in its admission procedures. Because a large number of IV drug users have been infected by the HIV virus, at any given time there may be students in the program that are HIV+. This center does not require students who are HIV+ to notify other students in the program of their HIV status.

_____ I have read the "Students Rules and Policies" manual and agree to comply with these standards and procedures.

_____ Student application fees, including processing, curriculum, and medical test cost are non-refundable.

Student's signature

Date

Witness signature

Date